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In re Application of

Shigeo OZAWA

Serial No. 09/519,999

Filed: March 6, 2000



Group Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: R. Madsen

For: AN ACCOMODATION BAG

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

[X] No additional fee is required.

] Small entity status of this application has been established.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	18	20	0	x \$ 9 =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	x \$40 =	\$ 0.00
		If multiple claims newly presented, add \$130.00			\$0.00
Fee for extension of time				\$ 0.00	
			1	TOTAL FEE DUE	\$ 0.00

A credit card authorization form in the amount of \$0.00 is attached

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <u>07-1337</u>, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action dated August 27, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 12 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 10, 14, 20, 23 and 24as follows:

10. (Twice Amended)

A container, comprising:

an outer bag;

a first inner bag accommodated in said outer bag and filled with a liquid, said first inner bag being equipped with an internal heating element for heating said liquid thereby raising a pressure of said liquid inside said first inner bag, said first inner bag being made liquid-impermeable except at least for a vapor-releasing hole that is positioned in an upper part thereof and closed by a first seal configured to open when the pressure of said liquid reaches a predetermined level thereby allowing said heated liquid to escape said first inner bag as vapor; and